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13. (Twice Amended) A method for manufacturing a fibrous cellulose sausage casing, which method comprises:

forming a wet-strengthened manila based paper material, which paper is wet-strengthened by at least one strengthener selected from the group consisting of resins, viscose, and a combination of resins and viscose into the shape of a tubing, the weight of which paper is less than 15 g/m<sup>2</sup>;

impregnating said tubing with viscose by presenting said viscose only to an outer surface of said tubing; and coagulating the viscose into cellulose by passing the impregnated tubing through at least one acid and salt bath; and,

plasticizing the treated tubing.